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In re Application of:)
Norimasa OKUDA et al.)
Serial No.: 09/870,483)
Filed: June 1, 2001)
Title: A METHOD FOR PRODUCING)
α-HYDROXYCARBOXYLIC ACID)

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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time to reply to the Office Action of July 16, 2002. A fee of \$110.00 is enclosed.
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Respectfully submitted,

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